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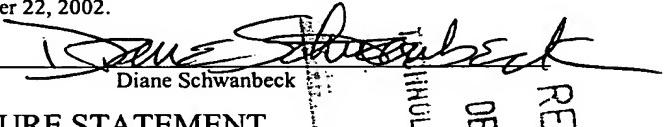
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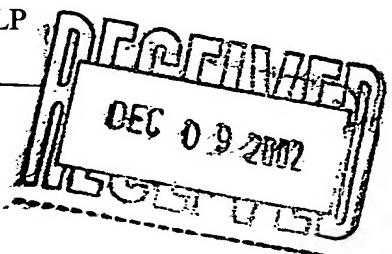
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The references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449, copies of which are attached, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit these references in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to consider these references and to acknowledge such consideration by initialing the attached PTO Form 1449 at the appropriate locations.

References L-O are in the Japanese language. The relevance of each of References L, N, and O may be ascertained by reviewing the corresponding English language abstract (see References Q, R, and S, respectively). Regarding the relevance of the Reference M, Applicants note that this reference was mentioned in a notice of rejection in the counterpart Japanese application. An English translation of the notice of rejection is attached for the Examiner's use and information.

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